

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 16 May 62	2. LOCATION Charleston, W. VA.	12. CONCLUSIONS
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 17/0145Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Meteor <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Civilian	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS	9. COURSE SW
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING		11. COMMENTS
Round objt like yellow light. With hazy ring and hazy trail fm ring. Appeared to be moving many times faster than a jet type a/c. But not as fast as a shooting star. Observed at 45° elev in NNE. Disappearing overhorizon in SW after 5 sec flight.		Reported as slow. However duration and distance traveled indicate normal speed for meteor sighting. Objt has all characteristics of a "Fire Ball" sighting and there is no reason to suspect that this was anything other than a meteor.

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(8) NONE

(9) APPEARED TO BE TRAVELING MANY TIMES FASTER THAN A JET TYPE AIRCRAFT, BUT NOT AS FAST AS A SHOOTING STAR.

15B (1) BOTH OBSERVERS STATE THEY JUST HAPPENED TO GLANCE UP

(2) OBSERVER ONE(1) FORTY FIVE (45) DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON TO THE NORTH NORTH EAST.

OBSERVER TWO(2) FORTY FIVE (45) DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON TO THE NORTH NORTH EAST.

(3) BOTH OBSERVERS-STATED OBJECT DISAPPEARED OVER HORIZON TO THE SOUTHWEST.

(4) OBSERVER ONE(1) APPEARED TO BE ARCING TOWARD EARTH.

OBSERVER TWO(2) APPEARED TO BE CLIMBING SLIGHTLY.

(5) BOTH OBSERVERS- UNSTANTLY IN SOUTHWEST.

(6) BOTH OBSERVERS - FIVE(5) SECONDS.

15C (1) OBSERVER ONE(1) GROUND VISUAL FROM MOVING AUTOMOBILE.

OBSERVER TWO (2) GROUND VISUAL STANDING ON GROUND.

(2) BOTH OBSERVERS- NO VISUAL AIDS.

(3) N/A

15D (1) OBSERVER ONE(1) 17 MAY 62, 0145Z. OBSERVER TWO(2) 17 MAY

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62, 0150Z.

(2) NIGHT

15E OBSERVER ONE(1) TWELVE AND SEVEN(12.7) MILES NORTHEAST OF CHARLESTON WEST VIRGINIA. OBSERVER TWO(2) AT THE ██████████ CORPORATION IN SOUTH CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA.

15F (1) OBSERVER ONE(1) CIVILIAN, ██████████ AGE 48, MAILING ADDRESS: ██████████ ELKVIEW, WSET VIRGINIA. OCCUPATION; INDUSTRIAL INSTRUMENT MECHANIC. RELIABILITY: WAS POSITIVE OF OBJECT BEING OUT OF ORDINARY.

HOWEVER, HE SEEMED TO BE A UFO FAN IN THAT HE STATED HE READ SEVERAL BOOKS ON THE SUBJECT AND WAS ALWAYS WATCHING FOR THEM.

OBSERVER TWO(2) CIVILIAN, ██████████ AGE 44, MAILING ADDRESS: ██████████ SOUTH CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA, OCCUPATION; SHIFT FORMAN FOR ██████████ CORPORATION, RELIABILITY: STABLE INDIVIDUAL, POSITIVE OF SIGHTING.

(2) N/A

15G (1) BOTH OBSERVERS- SLIGHTLY HAZY.

(2) U.S. WEATHER BUREAU, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA:

WINDS ALOFT

0 SURFACE CALM

6,200 060/06K

10,000 060/08K

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16,000 090/18K
20,000 080/15K
30,000 130/09K
50,000 340/17K
80,000 020/13K

(3) 22,000 CIRO STRATUS OVERCAST

(4) FIVE (5) MILES IN SMOKE

(5) 8,000 ALTO CUMULUS BROKEN

(6) NO THUNDER STORM ACTIVITY AT TIME OF SIGHTING

(7) SEVENTY EIGHT DEGREES (78)

15H NONE

15I NONE

15J NONE

15K^ELECTRONIC WARFARE OFFICER: AT THE TIME OF VISUAL SIGHTINGS THERE WAS NO RADAR INDICATION OF AN OBJECT IN THE VICINITY OF THE REPORTED UFO PATH. SIMULATANEous VISUAL SIGHTINGS AT SEPERATED LOCATIONS WITH LACK OF RADAR CONFIRMATION WOULD TEND TO INDICATE UFO WAS POSSIBLY SATALITE OR ASSOCIATED JUNK.

15L NONE

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